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HAMBURG FOR USIS; DEPT PASS POSTMASTER GENERAL B.F.  
BAILER;  
BERN PASS HAROLD E. MCCLURE, COUNSELOR, INTL BUREAU,  
INTERNATIONAL POSTAL UNION

E.O. 11652: N/A  
SUBJECT: NORD POSTA BICENTENNIAL STAMP EXHIBITION;  
HAMBURG

REF: DICKERMAN/MCCLURE TELECON DEC 5, 1975

1. POSTMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE WILL RECEIVE A LETTER FROM MR. MARTIN KOSSEDA, DIRECTOR OF NORD POSTA, SPONSORING ORGANIZATION OF NORTH GERMANY'S LARGEST ANNUAL STAMP EXHIBITION. NORD POSTA INTENDS THIS YEAR HONOR AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL BY FEATURING U.S. PHILATELY. BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, SOME 35,000 PERSONS WILL VISIT THE EXHIBITION IN LATE AUTUMN, 1976, AND SALES OF U.S. STAMPS WILL AMOUNT TO APPROXIMATELY \$18,000.

2. POST WISHES TO UNDERScore LEGITIMATE AND SERIOUS NATURE OF THIS EXHIBITION. IT HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE HAMBURG GENERAL POST OFFICE, AXEL SPRINGER PUBLISHING HOUSE, THE MAJOR PUBLISHER IN THE FRG; HAPAG-LLOYD AG, GERMANY'S MAJOR SHIPPING LINE, LUFTHANSA, AND THE HAMBURG SECTION OF THE SOCIETY FOR GERMAN POSTAL HISTORY. USIS IN HAMBURG IS COOPERATING IN SUPPORTING THE EXHIBITION.

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3. A SPECIAL EXHIBITION CATALOGUE IS PLANNED. (THE 1975 CATALOGUE CONTAINED AN INTRODUCTION BY THE GERMAN FEDERAL PRESIDENT). A SPECIAL MEDAL FROM THE NATIONAL HAMBURG MINT IS ANTICIPATED. THE SPONSORS ALSO INTEND TO MOUNT A MOBILE EXHIBITION OF THE HAMBURG SHOW FOR SHOWING IN ONE OR MORE CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

4. USIS HAMBURG AND EMBASSY BONN TRUST KOSSEDA'S LETTER PLUS THIS MESSAGE WILL RESULT IN POSITIVE RESPONSE TO KOSSEDA, AND ASSIGNMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL WITH WHOM KOSSEDA MAY WORK IN DEVELOPING EXHIBITION PLANS.

5. KOSSEDA WILL INVITE THE ASSIGNED OFFICER AT NORD POSTA'S EXPENSE, TO VISIT HAMBURG TO DISCUSS DETAILS OF U.S. PARTICIPATION.

6. EMBASSY FORWARDING FILE ON THIS MATTER TO HAROLD E. MCCLURE, COUNSELLOR, INTERNATIONAL BUREAU, INTERNATIONAL POSTAL UNION, WHO MAY WISH TO COMMUNICATE FURTHER WITH EITHER KOSSEDA OR POSTMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE.

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